AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently amended) An optical disc reproducing apparatus comprising,
- a housing;[[,]]
- a reading section for reading which is disposed inside said housing, and reads data recorded on an optical disc;[[,]]
 - a storing section which stores [[the]] data read by said reading section;[[,]]
- a reproducing section which <u>can reproduce</u> reproduces the data stored in said storing section; [[,]]
- a reference discal unit which is disposed outside said housing and which is rotatable rotated at a predetermined reference rotational speed and in a predetermined reference rotational direction;[[,]]
- an operation discal unit which is mounted on said reference discal unit to rotate together with said reference discal unit, and which is capable of rotating in a desired rotational direction at a desired rotational speed according to a user's manipulation;[[,]]
- a detection discal unit which is accommodated in said housing, and which is connected with said operation discal unit to rotate in sync with the rotation of said operation discal unit;[[,]]
- a first detecting section which is disposed inside said housing, and which can detect detects a rotational speed and rotational direction of said detection discal unit;[[,]]
- a second detecting section which is disposed outside said housing, and which can detect detects a rotational speed and rotational direction of said reference discal unit;[[,]] and
- a control section which <u>can determine</u> determines the rotational speed and rotational direction of said detection discal unit based on each detected result from said first detecting section and said second detecting section, and <u>which can control</u> controls said reading section, said storing section and said reproducing section, so that a data reproduction desired by the user <u>can be</u> [[is]] performed,

wherein said reading section is disposed in said housing,

wherein said reference discal unit is rotatably mounted on a cylindrical member fixed to said housing, and

wherein said operation discal unit is connected to said detection discal unit by a shaft at least

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partly located inside said fixed cylindrical member.

2. (Currently amended) [[The]] An optical disc reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein,

said control section gives a control to read the data stored in said storing section at a predetermined reference reading speed and in a predetermined reference reading sequence, when it is determined that said detection discal unit is rotating at said reference rotational speed and in said reference rotational direction; [[,]] and

said control section gives a control to read the data stored in said storing section at the reading speed and in the reading sequence according to a detected result from said first detecting section, when it is determined that said detection discal unit is not rotating at said reference rotational speed in said reference rotational direction.

3. (Currently amended) [[The]] An optical disc reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein,

the reference discal unit has a cross-section of concave shape, and with the concave shaped portion of said reference discal unit, said second detecting section is protected from outside.

4. (Canceled)